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For:

A SELF-BORING AND SELF-TAPPING SCREW FOR OSTEOSYNTHESIS

AND COMPRESSION

<u>AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION</u>

Mail Stop: Amendment **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The FINAL Office Action dated August 2, 2006 has been carefully considered. In response thereto, Applicants hereby submit following amendments and remarks and the enclosed petition for a 3 month extension of time. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.